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NATIONAL RAINFED AREA AUTHORITY
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to provide more automony to the National Rainfed Area Authority in order to make its functioning more effective;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the time by which a decision is likely to be taken in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI KANTI LAL BHURIA)

(a)to(c): To provide more autonomy to the National Rainfed Area Authority (NRAA), the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) has been declared as a Head of the Department in the Department of Agriculture and Cooperation. NRAA has also been delegated with enhanced financial powers under the provisions of O.M.No.1/7/E- II(A)/2008 dated 30th May, 2008 of the Department of Expenditure, Ministry of Finance, Government of India.